

# Agency 74 - Nebraska Power Review Board

## Statutory Authority:

The Nebraska Power Review Board is a statutorily created Board responsible for the regulation of the public electrical power suppliers in the State of Nebraska.

## Vision Statement:

The vision of the Nebraska Power Review Board is to see that the citizens of the State of Nebraska receive the best possible electric service at as low overall cost as possible by properly regulating and enforcing the Nebraska Statutes dealing with the public power suppliers in the State of Nebraska.

## Mission Statement:

The mission of the Power Review Board is to interpret and apply the statutes governing public power in Nebraska in order to properly regulate the electrical power suppliers in the State. This mission is also to quickly resolve disputes between electrical suppliers, between suppliers and customers and try to resolve these issues without the necessity of an expensive hearing if possible. If a hearing is required to be held, the Board believes that it is their mission to apply the law in any given instance and to do so properly in order to avoid any reversal of the Board's decision if an appeal is taken to the Supreme Court or the Court of Appeals.

## Goals:

1. To properly enforce the statutory regulations of the electrical industry in Nebraska.
2. Work with the Nebraska Power Suppliers to properly plan for future electrical supply for the citizens of the State of Nebraska.
3. Help inform the citizens of the State of Nebraska of the laws and regulations governing the Nebraska electrical suppliers and to assist them with resolving any problems where possible.

## Financial Data:

	Actual FY98	Approp FY99	Request FY00	Recom FY00	Request FY01	Recom FY01
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	131,224	204,808	170,821	174,910	175,361	184,969
Federal Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
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## Program 072 - Power Review Board

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### Program Objectives:

The Power Review Board is a single program agency and this is the regulation of the electrical utility industry in Nebraska. The program consists of authorization of construction of electrical generation facilities, transmission lines, approval of retail service area agreements, approval of wholesale service area agreements, settling disputes between the various electrical utilities over area and customers, settlement of disputes between the electrical entities and customers in certain instances, approval of construction of microwave facilities, approval of the creation of public power and irrigation districts and amendments to their petitions for creation or chartered area.

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### Performance Measures:

Since the Power Review Board is a regulatory body and not an informational agency, the Board's performance is hard to measure. The Board works with the power supply industry of Nebraska to assure the citizens of Nebraska the best electrical service and rates at the lowest overall price possible. The output of a regulatory body is hard to judge since there are no qualifying numbers to use to determine success, failure, efficiency, etc. Only the decisions made by the Board that involve the electrical utility industry can provide a yardstick for measurement. When a disagreement cannot be resolved without a hearing, the Board holds a hearing in a timely manner and enters an order as soon as possible. From this order either party can appeal directly to the Court of Appeals or the State Supreme Court.